

**REMARKS**

Claims **1-6** and **13-27** are pending in the application.

Claims **1-6** and **13-27** stand rejected.

Claims **1-6, 13, 15, 20, 23, and 27** have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the originally filed Application, and at least at page 7, *ll.* 1-8, page 8, *ll.* 14-23, and pages 9-11. No new matter has been added thereby.

**Formal Matters**

Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 3, and 5, and dependent claims 13 and 23 to correct grammatical errors. Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered because these amendments place the claims in better condition for appeal. Applicants have also amended dependent claims 2, 4, 6, 15, 20, and 27 to better clarify the elements of these claims. Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered because these amendments also place the claims in better condition for appeal.

**Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)**

Claims 1-6 and 13-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as purportedly being unpatentable over Vance et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,442,526 (“Vance”) in view of DeLorme et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,948,040 (“DeLorme”). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

With regard to independent claims 1, 3, and 5, Applicants have reviewed the cited references, and can find no teaching or fair suggestion of the claims. In particular, Applicants can find no teaching or fair suggestion in the cited sections of Vance of the claimed generating an expense report that contains expenses for more than one activity, as discussed in Applicants’ Response to Non-Final Office Action, filed July 14, 2011. Further, Applicants have reviewed the cited sections of DeLorme, and can find no teaching or fair suggestion of independent claims 1, 3, and 5. In particular, Applicants

can find no teaching or fair suggestion of the claimed generating an expense report that contains expenses for more than one activity. In fact, the cited sections fail to disclose generating an expense report at all, let alone one that contains expenses for more than one activity like the claimed expense report. Accordingly, the cited sections of Vance and DeLorme, alone or in permissible combination, fail to teach or fairly suggest the claimed generating an expense report that contains expenses for more than one activity.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1, 3, and 5 are patentably distinguishable over the cited references. Applicants therefore respectfully submit that independent claims 1, 3, and 5, and all claims depending therefrom, are in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request the Examiner's reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections to these claims and an indication of the allowability of same.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application and the claims therein are believed to be in condition for allowance without any further examination and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

If any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) are required in order for this submission to be considered timely, Applicants hereby petition for such extensions. Applicants also hereby authorize that any fees due for such extensions or any other fee associated with this submission, as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17, be charged to deposit account 502306.

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